

Allowing "visiting/transient/tourist non-amateur non-United States resident foreign nationals" unlicensed access to certain frequencies between 446.0 and 446.1 MHz would allow American citizens to import, and encourage foreign companies to export, PMR radios that would give untold numbers of individuals access to protected amateur frequencies, and could potentially create significant interference on those frequencies. There already exists the Family Radio Service in the US in the 462-467 Mhz range specifically set aside for that purpose, and if visitors wish to use those frequencies they can purchase FRS radios for very little these days. Additionally, the administrative costs to the FCC of reassigning the 446.0-446.1 frequencies to dual use do not merit the perceived gain.

Sincerely,  
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